

Homeowners' Post-Earthquake Checklist

- ☐ Has any portion of your home collapsed (e.g. cripple walls, floors, roof, porch deck)?
- ☐ Has your home shifted on, or fallen from the foundation?
- ☐ Is your home noticeably leaning? When you look at your home from a distance does it appear out of plumb?
- ☐ Do you have severe cracks in the walls of your home?
- ☐ Is your chimney damaged, cracked, or in danger of falling? Check for cracks and damage where the chimney connects to the firebox and at the roofline. Check for debris in the firebox.
- ☐ Has your furnace shifted? Are there any damage to ducts or exhaust pipes?
- ☐ Is the roof leaking? At first, small leaks may be difficult to detect, watch for water damage to your ceiling.
- ☐ Are your windows and doors difficult to open and close?
- ☐ Do you smell gas or any unusual odor? Do you hear a hissing noise?
- ☐ Are water pipes visibly damaged? (Inspect connections under the structure). Do you hear water or see water around the foundation or in the basement?
- ☐ Are your toilets and sewer lines intact?
- ☐ Is your hot water heater detached or leaking?
- ☐ Are power poles tilted? Are power lines sagging or touching structures or trees? Did circuit breakers or fuses trip?
- ☐ Are there spilled medicines, bleaches, and/or flammable liquids? (Accidental chemical mixtures can be dangerous.)



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